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TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS: Washington Freedom's Abby Wambach celebrates her early goal against the Atlanta Beat during the opening minutes of the Founders Cup III on Sunday in San Diego. The Freedom won the championship 2-1. **For more:** See game highlights on page 8.

LENNY IGNELZI/AP

Bremer: No More U.S. Troops

WASHINGTON | Faced with rising numbers of attacks, sabotage and foreign terrorists, U.S. officials on Sunday rejected sending more American troops to stabilize Iraq but said they would welcome additional help from other countries.

Better intelligence and cooperation from the Iraqi people are key to reversing the tide of violence, said L. Paul Bremer, the top U.S. civilian official in Iraq.

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the United States would

welcome a bigger international presence, but deferred to diplomats on the thorny question of whether some military control should be handed over to the United Nations.

Questions about U.S. troop strength in Iraq have heightened since the truck bombing of U.N. headquarters in Baghdad last week that killed the United Nations' top envoy along with at least 23 other U.N. workers. (AP)



Bremer

Bundle Up: Almanac Predicts Tough Winter

LEWISTON, MAINE | The newest edition of the Farmers' Almanac hits the streets Tuesday, predicting a cold winter with plenty of snow.

Storms will target much of the eastern half of the country, with no letup until early spring, it says. The West also faces a cold, snowy winter. Bucking the trend is the Southeast, where mild weather is predicted. The National Weather Service doubts such long-term forecasts, but the almanac claims to get it right about 80 percent of the time. (AP)

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ANIMAL WATCH

Swamp Music

Move over, Kermit—a new CD features the musical musings of frogs not made of felt. Co-produced by biologist Walter Knapp and reptile and amphibian specialist John Jensen, the CD features calls— mating and otherwise—from frogs all over the scientists' home state of Georgia. Knapp, who traveled with a massive microphone to record the ribbits, filled 37 CDs with croaking, although he boiled the final release down to one, released by the state Wildlife Resources Division, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reports. (EXPRESS)



AP/COURTESY OF WALTER KNAPP

CULTURE

One Man's Trash

A man in Phoenix has achieved what some garage sale and auction-goers only dream of. Neil King, 40, spent \$75 on the contents of a broken-down trailer filled with garbage bags of what appeared to be ordinary

junk at a public storage auction two weeks ago. Among the mess, King found artwork by the Flagg family, a group of Scottsdale, Ariz., artists, that could be worth \$1 million. "This is like winning the lottery," King, a certified appraiser, said. "This will never happen again." (AP)

LAW

It's a Small World After All

A chance meeting with a childhood friend proved inauspicious for Misty Quackenbush of Cortez, Texas. Quackenbush was supposed to have been sentenced to prison July 11 for drug distribution. But instead, she

allegedly faked her own death and left town, police say. Four weeks later, Quackenbush was about 600 miles away from Cortez when she ran into old friend Brandon Brown, who's now a sheriff's deputy. She was sentenced Friday to five years—four for her drug charge and another for skipping town. (AP)

HEARSAY | SWIPED

"They was there last night at 10 p.m., but when I woke up at 7 a.m., my britches were gone."

— BASCOM HORN
OF BRADSHAW, W.VA., EXPLAINING HOW A THIEF REPORTEDLY STOLE HIS PANTS — AND THE \$7,600 HE STASHED INSIDE THEM— OVERNIGHT LAST WEEK.



FILE PHOTO

THE GREAT BEYOND Cold Comfort

The body of 73-year-old Nguyen Van Quan of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, had been at a hospital morgue for seven hours when his daughter came to retrieve it. That likely added to her surprise when it moved. When officials removed a blanket covering the body, his daughter told a local newspaper, "my father's eyes moved, brightening with joy." As of Friday, Quan was back in intensive care. (AP)

 WHO KNEW? The average American eats 30 pounds of cheese a year, a five-fold increase on the 6-pound annual average in 1944, the U.S. Agriculture Department says.

TRAVEL Around the State in 105 Burgers

After three years of crisscrossing Kansas on a quest for hamburgers, Bill Bunyan tasted victory on his 65th birthday. With a meal in Sterling, Kan., last Thursday, Bunyan achieved his goal of eating a hamburger in every one of the state's 105 counties. Although Bunyan enjoyed his jaunts across the state, he says he's glad it's over. So does his doctor, who's treating Bunyan for high cholesterol. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today
Hi 92
Lo 71



Tues.
Hi 90
Lo 73



Wed.
Hi 92
Lo 73



Thurs.
Hi 90
Lo 73



Fri.
Hi 91
Lo 72



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UV Index (for solar noon)
6 out of 10, moderate

Air Quality Index (AQI)
AQI Today: Moderate

Pollen Index (Yesterday)
Reading: Main offender: Not available

Today, partly sunny, hot, more humid. High 92. Wind southwest 8-16 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy, humid. Low 71. Wind west 5-10 mph.

In Brief

PHOENIX

Gas Pumping Resumes

Relief is on the way for gasoline-parched Phoenix. A pipeline that broke, creating gas shortages and fueling frustrations at the pumps for days, was up and running again Sunday. Officials at Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, the company that owns the pipeline, said they began pumping gas using a seven-mile bypass to circumvent the rupture point. However, they cautioned it would take a few days for the gas to reach there from Tucson. The trouble started when the east line, which normally supplies about a third of the Phoenix area's gas, ruptured due to corrosion July 30. (AP)

VALE, ORE.

Eight Firefighters Killed In Collision With Truck

A van full of firefighters collided with a tractor-trailer and exploded in flames Sunday, killing all eight inside and injuring the two people in the truck. The contract firefighters, all under the age of 23, were returning home to Oregon from an Idaho wildfire late Sunday morning, when the van crashed on a remote eastern Oregon highway about 15 miles west of Vale, Malheur County Sheriff Andy Bentz said. Their names were not immediately available.

Before Sunday, 19 firefighters assigned to wildfires had died on duty this year, according to a spokeswoman for the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho. (AP)

ORANGE BEACH, ALA.

State GOP Breaks With Republican Gov. on Tax Hike

Republican Gov. Bob Riley has his own party opposing him and the Democratic Party supporting him on the biggest tax increase in state history. By a vote of 122-100 Saturday, the State Republican Executive Committee approved a resolution saying the party recommends a "no" vote on Riley's plan in a Sept. 9 referendum. Riley's plan would raise \$1.2 billion in new taxes, phased in over four years. Taxes on property, cigarettes and various services would rise. (AP)



Riley

PROTEST | CHURCH AND STATE



DAVE MARTIN/AP

RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT: Joyce Fecteau of Huntsville, Ala., holds a crucifix at the Alabama state judicial building in Montgomery on Sunday. Dozens of demonstrators have staged a vigil outside to protest an order to remove a Ten Commandments monument from the building's rotunda.

Defrocked Priest Likely Strangled

Autopsy on body of John Geoghan scheduled for Monday

BOSTON | Long before the public became aware of former priest John Geoghan, clergy sex abuse had cast a shadow over the Roman Catholic Church with claims of molestation and rape, multimillion-dollar settlements and exhaustive publicity.

But it was the case of Geoghan, who allegedly abused nearly 150

young boys over more than three decades, that shook the foundations of the church in the United States.

Geoghan, 68, was killed by another inmate Saturday at the Souza-Baranowski Corrections Center where he was serving a nine to 10-year sentence for assault and battery on a 10-year-old boy.

Worcester County District



Geoghan

Attorney John Conte said Geoghan appeared to have been strangled, though an autopsy was scheduled for Monday. The suspect, Joseph Druce, 37, was serving a life sentence for a 1988 murder.

Conte said Druce will be charged with murder. Department of Correction spokeswoman Kelly Nantel said Druce was placed in isolation after the killing, and that the department had begun an internal investigation of Geoghan's death. ROBERT O'NEILL (AP)

Tribes Big Donors in Calif. Recall Race

LOS ANGELES | California's politically powerful Indian tribes are poised to play a key role in the campaign to recall Democratic Gov. Gray Davis, and they have much to gain from the outcome. Whoever occupies the governor's office after the Oct. 7 vote will largely determine how much gambling will expand in California, as well

as whether tribal casinos will be asked to fork over more money to the state.

The tribes are expected to give heavily during the remaining six weeks of the campaign.

Some tribes see an opportunity with the candidacy of Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, a Democrat who has been one of their top allies in

Sacramento for a decade.

Tribal officials also say they have contacted Republican front-runner Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Schwarzenegger and Bustamante had been neck-and-neck in polls, though a Los Angeles Times poll released late Saturday showed Bustamante ahead, 35 percent to 22 percent with a margin of error of 3 percentage points.

ERICA WERNER (AP)

Verizon, Unions Near Agreement

Progress in recent days of negotiations described as significant

WASHINGTON | Verizon Communications and its unions were nearing an agreement Sunday as 78,000 East Coast telephone operators and technicians entered a fourth week on the job without contracts.

Negotiators had made significant progress at the bargaining table over the past several days — enough that the end appeared within reach.

Candice Johnson, spokeswoman for the Communications Workers of America, said talks centered Sunday on "a few remaining issues," but declined to say what they were.

Johnson cautioned that negotiators may need more time to strike a deal.

The union also was preparing to open its annual convention Monday in Chicago.

A Verizon spokesman, Daniel Diaz Zapata, said only that "the process continues and I have no new developments."

Still, the tone was a stark turnaround from last week, when both sides sparred publicly over efforts to gain a public relations advantage.

CWA sued Verizon and two executives after they listened in to the union's conference call with reporters about plans to urge the public to switch carriers.

Verizon had complained that a union official violated a previously negotiated cease-fire by using the slogan "Can you hear me now?" in the conference call.

CWA, along with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, has been negotiating with Verizon since June. Government mediators joined the talks to successfully avert a strike planned for Aug. 3 that could have affected service from Virginia to Maine. LEIGH STROPE (AP)

Autistic Boy Dies In Prayer Service

MILWAUKEE | An autistic 8-year-old boy died while being restrained during a church prayer service held in an attempt to cure him, and one man connected with the small storefront church was arrested, police and a church official said Sunday.

Several members of the Faith Temple Church of the Apostolic Faith prayed over him for more than an hour until someone noticed he wasn't moving and called paramedics.

"The boy just had a problem in his mind, and what we were doing was asking God to fix it," Bishop David Hemphill Sr. said. "He chose to fix it by taking him back home to him."

Police would not say what the man could be charged with, only that they were awaiting the results of an autopsy. (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Seventy-nine percent of Americans buckle up when they drive, the highest percentage of seat belt use ever, the National Highway Safety Administration says.

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Families Dismiss Drug Link

Relatives say victims of W.Va. sniper did not use narcotics

CAMPBELLS CREEK, W.VA. | The three victims in the recent spate of sniper-style shootings had different backgrounds, different hopes for the future. But all were killed in the same way, each shot once with the same .22-caliber gun while stand-

ing outside convenience stores in the Charleston area.

Sheriff David Tucker has suggested drugs as a possible motive in the killings of Jeanie Patton, 31, and Okey Meadows Jr., 26.

Both lived in Campbells Creek, an area residents say is rife with drugs.

But family members and friends of the victims defend them against the insinuation. Drugs haven't been

mentioned in connection with the other victim, Gary Carrier Jr., 44, and Charleston Police Chief Jerry Pauley has said police had found no drug connections to him.

Authorities on Sunday were still searching for at least two men — a heavyset, goateed man believed to have been in a dark-colored Ford F-150 pickup and a man with "skinny white legs" who is considered a possible witness. JOEDY MCCREARY (AP)

BACKSTAGE | A CULTURAL EXPERIENCE



CHARLES DHARAPAKA/

WARMING UP: Thai-American girls from the Dhammapratip Temple in Accokeek, Md., and the Thai Temple D.C. Youth Group get ready to perform Thai classical dances at "Thai Festival 2003," held at Freedom Plaza on Sunday. The event is sponsored by the Royal Thai Embassy.

More Than 1,000 Artifacts Missing From Museum

DAYTON, OHIO | A 2002 audit of the world's oldest and largest military aviation museum found 1,000 artifacts were missing — from NASA and Wright brothers technology to a variety of military weapons.

Among the missing items are three bombs, several guns, a lens from the Gemini 5 space mission and the wooden pattern used to cast the engine that enabled Wilbur and Orville Wright to achieve the first powered flight in 1903.

The audit of the U.S. Air Force Museum, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, named former chief of collections, Scott A. Ferguson, as the person most responsible for the museum's artifacts. Ferguson's attorney, Larry Greger, declined to comment Sunday. (AP)

Court to Examine Miranda Warnings

Cases center on when and how police affirm a suspect's rights

WASHINGTON | "You have the right to remain silent" will be a common utterance around the Supreme Court this fall.

Justices will hear appeals in three cases involving the court's 37-year-old mandate that police officers warn suspects of their rights before beginning interrogations.

The eventual rulings will tell police how far they can go to get answers from suspected crimi-

nals and let courts know when they must bar confessions or evidence from a trial.

Officers hoping to enhance their chances of getting a suspect to divulge key information sometimes put off reading "Miranda warnings." After they get a confession, or answers that will lead to a weapon or other evidence, officers then run through the warnings that have been made famous by TV cop shows.

The Supreme Court will decide if it's smart detective work or deceitful trickery to delay the warning.

GINA HOLLAND (AP)

REMAINING SILENT?

The Supreme Court will review three *Miranda* cases during its upcoming term:

→ *Missouri v. Seibert*: Whether police can question a suspect before as well as after reading their *Miranda* rights.

→ *Fellers v. United States*: Can questioning before rights are read taint an interview afterward?

→ *United States v. Patane*: Do police always have to read suspects their *Miranda* rights before seizing evidence?

CHINA | LANDMARKING



URBAN RENEWAL: Children leave imprints of their hands in front of their soon-to-be demolished home in Beijing Sunday. The Chinese capital is defending its unpopular urban renewal scheme that has seen tens of thousands of families moved out of the city center. The exodus of low-income families has caused widespread dissatisfaction.

U.S. Pulls Back Troops in Liberia

MONROVIA, LIBERIA | A 150-strong Marine fighting force pulled back to warships off the coast of Liberia on Sunday, ending significant U.S. military deployment on the ground after just 11 days.

U.S. Marines insisted that American troops once back on the warships would be in a better position to respond to any flare-ups in Liberia, which is just one week

into a peace accord meant to end 14 years of conflict that have claimed more than 150,000 lives.

But Liberians, watching U.S. military helicopters whir out of sight in the unannounced departure, spoke fearfully of being deserted.

Sunday's withdrawal leaves about 100 U.S. troops still on the ground — 70 guarding the U.S. Embassy, and 30 working as a liaison team with a 1,500-strong West African peace force, said a military spokesman. (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS: Although Cuba prohibits most ordinary citizens from having satellite dishes, as many as 20,000 families are estimated to have purchased satellite antenna and reception equipment on the black market.

In Brief

RWANDA Opposition Candidate Workers Arrested Before

Rwandan police arrested a dozen key campaign workers for the leading opposition candidate, saying the men planned to use violence to disrupt the country's first real presidential election, the police spokesman said Sunday. But Faustin

Twagiramungu, the opposition candidate who the men were working for, said the 12 were arrested after meeting with him to discuss sending observers to polling stations during Monday's election. (AP)

BALKANS Three Blasts Strike Close to Troubled Kosovo Province

Three blasts rocked a town in Serbia's volatile south close to troubled Kosovo province, injur-

Israel Steps Up Attacks on Hamas

4 killed after official says members are targets for 'liquidation'

GAZA CITY, GAZA | Israeli helicopters fired missiles at a group of armed men sitting near the Gaza City beach Sunday, killing four Hamas fighters, including a fugitive commander.

Israel's army chief said only hours earlier that all members of the Islamic militant group are "potential targets for liquidation." The attack occurred just yards from



A Palestinian man holds up the blood-stained shirt of one of the men.

the office of Palestinian security chief Mohammed Dahlan.

Sunday's attack came three days after Israel killed Hamas leader Ismail Abu Shanab in a similar strike in retaliation for a Hamas bombing that killed 21 people on a Jerusalem bus.

Palestinian officials said Sunday's attack would undermine a planned Palestinian security clampdown that began Saturday with moves against arms smugglers, casting fresh doubt on an already shaky U.S.-backed peace plan. That so-called "road map" envisions a Palestinian state by 2005. IBRAHIM BARZAQ (AP)

ROMANIA Nuclear Power Plant Shut Down Due to Droughts

A nuclear power plant was shut down Sunday because a record drought left insufficient water to cool down the reactor. The water level in the Danube River at Cernavoda village, where the reactor is located, fell to a depth of less than 10 feet on Saturday. The reactor is cooled by Danube waters. (AP)

ing two teenagers, authorities reported Sunday. The explosions late Saturday occurred 190 miles south of Belgrade. The town of more than 20,000 people is populated predominantly by ethnic Albanians but also has a small Serb minority. (AP)

HONG KONG Suspected Smugglers' Tunnel Discovered

Authorities have discovered a sus-

Ex-Iraqi Agents Seen Helping U.S.

Officials deflect rumors; top Shiite cleric's home bombed

BAGHDAD | Iraqi sources said Sunday U.S. authorities were recruiting key ex-members of Saddam Hussein's feared security service, working to expand intelligence gathering and root out the resistance that has attacked U.S. forces and now resorted to terror bombings.

The Iraqis, closely linked to the Mukhabarat service, spoke only on condition of anonymity. They said the U.S. recruitment of about 100 former intelligence higher-ups had been in progress for two weeks.

Gen. Richard Myers, the top U.S. military officer, told CBS News he

was unaware of any recruitment of former Iraqi intelligence agents. However, he added: "That does not mean we do not want the Iraqi people to help. And it just has to be the right kind of Iraqi people helping," he told the TV network.

Also on Sunday, a bomb ripped through the home of one of Iraq's most important Shiite clerics in the Islamic holy city of Najaf, killing three guards and injuring family members, a member of the Iraqi Governing Council said.

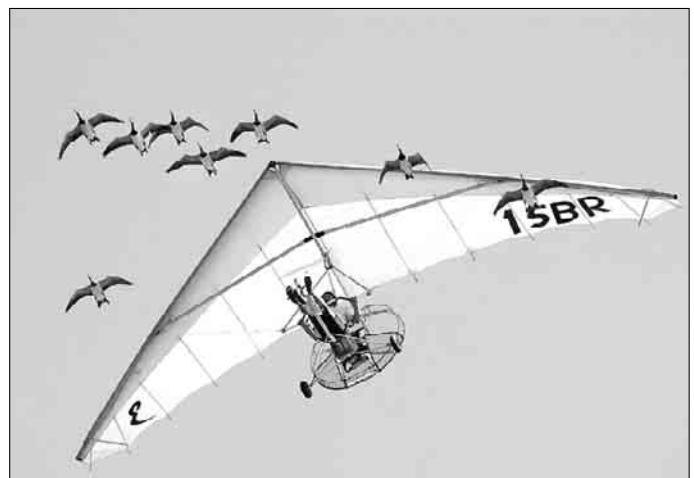
Mohammed Saeed al-Hakim, in his late 60s, holds the highest theological title in Shiite Islam. He was detained by Iraqi authorities in the 1980s because of his opposition to and criticism of Saddam Hussein.

STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

Post correspondent Theola Labbe chronicles U.S. soldiers' longing for clearly defined roles of combat in an unpredictable Iraq. Today's Post: Section A.

World

SWITZERLAND | SYNCHRONIZED SOARING



KENNETH NARS/AP/KEystone

BIRDS OF A FEATHER: A microlight glider is accompanied by a flock of geese during an air show in Dittingen, Switzerland, Saturday.

Kim Jong-Il Feud Sets Back Hopes

DAEGU, SOUTH KOREA | North Korea threatened to pull out of the World University Games on Sunday after a brawl between North Korean reporters and activists protesting the communist country's leader. The fight erupted as the reporters from the North's state-run media tried to seize banners critical of North Korean leader Kim Jong Il from protesters outside the South Korea stadium. The melee set back hopes that the games would symbolize inter-Korean solidarity ahead of six-nation talks seeking to resolve a standoff over the North's suspected nuclear weapons program. (AP)

Afghan Security Woes Deepen

Five government soldiers killed in Taliban ambush

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN | Afghanistan's security woes deepened Sunday as officials said Taliban guerrillas attacked a truck carrying government soldiers in the south of the country, killing at least five.

The Taliban attack was the latest in a rash of assaults against government forces in the south and east. On Friday, hundreds of suspected Taliban guerrillas clashed with patrolling government forces in neighboring Uruzgan province, leaving at least eight dead on both sides after fighting that lasted nearly four hours.

The recent spike in violence comes amid reports that the Taliban are regrouping and staging attacks to undermine the administration of President Hamid Karzai. Karzai is strongly supported by the United States but has little effective control outside of Kabul.



A Canadian soldier surveys a pile of old unexploded munitions at the police command post in a village southeast of Kabul, Afghanistan, Sunday.

In a tentative step toward disarming the powerful warlords who control much of the country, three faction leaders traveled to a northern district to encourage supporters to hand over weapons.

MATTHEW PENNINGTON (AP)

Choppy Reception for Olympic Logo

BEIJING | If you think the people of China are afraid to express their opinions, look online and see how they are blasting the new logo for the 2008 summer Olympics.

"The figure looks so weak. The legs are soft and limp, like a eunuch trembling before his master," someone said recently on one of China's largest Internet portals.

But to the Chinese government that picked it and the International Olympics Committee that approved it, the design is an ingenious combination of Chinese culture and the Olympic spirit.

Just two days after the emblem's debut, as many as 14,000 people flooded the popular Sina.com Web site with their opinions. There are

those who braved the avalanche of disgust to defend the figure.

"Some people will attack anything, as long as it's made in China," wrote someone called Sharp Knife Class President. CHING-CHING NI (LOS ANGELES TIMES)



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WORKING ON THE HIGHWAY: The installation of three, 100-ton bridge beams overnight Saturday at the Springfield "Mixing Bowl" went according to plan, according to Virginia Department of Transportation officials. Motorists were stuck in a 10-mile backup as they navigated through a seven-mile detour. Three of four lanes will be closed on I-395 from 10:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday as crews continue to stabilize the bridge.

In Brief

THE DISTRICT

17 Activists Arrested for Outstaying Welcome on Mall

U.S. Park Police on Sunday arrested 17 activists among those who set up a tent city on the National Mall to protest economic and health care policies. Their permit expired before midnight Saturday, but officers let them stay until after 7 a.m., said Sgt. Scott Fear. A group of up to 50 people were given three warnings before the arrests, he said. (AP)

THE DISTRICT

Man Found Shot in Face

D.C. police were investigating the Sunday morning shooting death of an Alexandria, Va., man. Police found Travis Irving, 31, after 4:30 a.m. on the 1100 block of I Street NE. A police spokesman said Irving was shot in the face. (AP)

THE DISTRICT

Pedestrian Dies in Accident

A 40-year-old Hispanic man was killed around 4 p.m. Sunday after a hit-and-run at the entrance of Kenilworth Park in Northeast. U.S. Park Police are asking that anyone with information call a tip line at 202-610-8737. (AP)

Jet Crashes in Harford County, Killing Pilot

FOREST HILL, MD. | A privately owned military training jet crashed in a yard between two houses on Sunday, killing the pilot and hitting one of the homes.

The Czechoslovakian-made L-39 jet — popular among North American jet enthusiasts — departed from Martin State Airport in Baltimore County and crashed about five miles north in Forest Hill, said Federal Aviation Administration eastern region spokesman Jim Peters. He said there were no reports of injuries on the ground. The pilot's identity was not released.

Witnesses told Harford County spokeswoman Merrie Street the jet



Firefighters study Sunday's crash site.

exploded after crashing, releasing a massive plume of black smoke.

The crash will be investigated by the National Transportation Safety Board, Peters said.

JULIE HALENAR (AP)

BWI Growing Due to SW Partnership

LINTHICUM, MD. | The partnership between Baltimore-Washington International Airport and Southwest Airlines has transformed BWI into one of the nation's fast-growing travel hubs.

Southwest will celebrate its 10th anniversary at BWI next month,

having gone from eight flights per day from the airport in 1993 to 156 flights per day now.

Analysts credit the carrier with reversing a three-year decline in passenger numbers at BWI, which began in the early 1990s after a shake-up at USAirways. (AP)

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Sports

Freedom Reigns Supreme

SOCCER | Abby Wambach scored the winning goal in the sixth minute of overtime — one minute after teammate Mia Hamm bounced a free kick off the crossbar — and the Washington Freedom beat the Atlanta Beat 2-1 in Sunday's Founders Cup. The game serves as the WUSA's championship.

Wambach, expected to be one of the core players of the U.S. national team in this decade, also scored in the seventh minute of regulation and was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

Hamm, who had won everything during her brilliant career except the Founders Cup, was poised to be the hero but her free kick from within the arc slammed off the crossbar.

Wambach was mobbed by her teammates after scoring the game-winning goal for the Freedom.

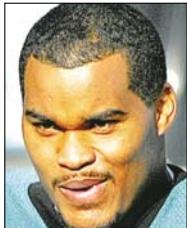
"We told ourselves in the huddle, 'We're not going to lose,'" Wambach said. **BERNIE WILSON (AP)**

COLLEGE FOOTBALL'S BEST

Kansas State stayed in the USA Today/ESPN Top 10 after beating California. This week's rankings are:

- Oklahoma
- Ohio State
- Miami
- Texas
- Kansas State
- Auburn
- Michigan
- Southern California
- Georgia
- Virginia Tech

HEARSAY | HOLDING OUT



"I'm not afraid to say I was stubborn. It's time to move on and bring something new to the city — hopefully that's a ring."

— PHILADELPHIA EAGLES RB DUCE STALEY
WHO ENDED A LENGTHY HOLDOUT WITH THE TEAM SUNDAY

TRACK | GETTING AHEAD



NECK AND NECK: A heat of the men's 100-meter dash begins Sunday at the World Track Championships. In another heat, American Jon Drummond caused havoc by protesting a false start by sitting on the track. **For More on Sunday's action at the World Track Championships: Read Amy Shapley's report at www.washingtonpost.com/sports.**

In Brief

SOCCER

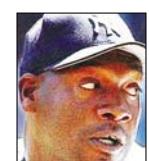
Brazil Blanks U.S. in U-17 World Championships

Brazil scored two goals in a 3-minute span in the second half and beat the United States 3-0 in the quarterfinals of the Under-17 World Soccer Championships on Sunday. Ederson and Evandro scored second-half goals as Brazil, unbeaten in four games, advanced to play Colombia in Wednesday's semifinals. Argentina will face Spain, a 5-2 quarterfinal winner over Portugal, in the other semifinal. **(AP)**

BASEBALL

Orioles Shut Out by Yanks

The Yankees' Jose Contreras made a rousing return from the disabled list, shutting down the Baltimore Orioles on three hits over seven innings in New York's 7-0 victory Sunday. Jorge Posada hit a three-run homer in the first and Derek Jeter added a two-run single for the Yankees, who cruised to an easy win after dropping the first two of the four-game series. **(AP)**



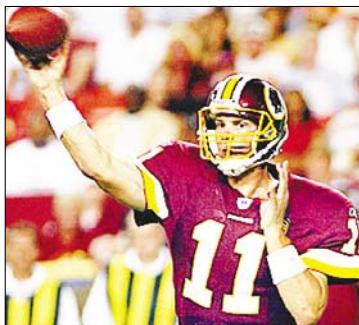
Contreras

Recent Injuries Could Help Redskins

Washington won't see QBs Pennington, Vick in first two games

PRO FOOTBALL | When Patrick Ramsey said the Washington Redskins caught "some really good breaks," he wasn't talking about the injuries to Chad Pennington and Michael Vick.

Even so, the misfortunes of the New York Jets and Atlanta Falcons could benefit Washington in coming weeks. Pennington broke his left wrist Saturday night and is out for 12 weeks, and Vick has a broken leg — sidelining the two quarterbacks



Patrick Ramsey threw a TD Saturday.

the Redskins were to face in their first two regular-season games.

Instead, the Redskins will face 39-year-old Vinny Testaverde of the Jets and the Falcons' Doug

Johnson, making the tough six-game run at the start just a little less daunting.

If the Redskins play the way they did in Saturday's 24-3 win over the Baltimore Ravens, it won't matter who the other quarterback is.

The starters played the first half and committed just two penalties and didn't have a turnover.

The middle of the defensive line played well, with Martin Chase, James Cannida and Peppi Zellner getting sacks.

Also, the offensive line didn't allow a sack.

The special teams even recovered a fumble. **JOSEPH WHITE (AP)**

BASKETBALL

Nowitzki Injured Playing For German National Squad

Dallas Mavericks star Dirk Nowitzki suffered an ankle injury Saturday and was taken to the hospital while playing a game for Germany against France in a warm-up for next month's European Championships. German basketball officials said the seriousness of the injury remained undiagnosed, though it is suspected that the forward suffered strained or torn ligaments. France won the game, 76-68. **(AP)**

BASEBALL

Bonds Out Indefinitely Following Father's Death

Barry Bonds was placed on the San Francisco Giants' bereavement list on Sunday, one day after his father's death. Bonds, who leads the majors with 39 home runs, will be away from the team indefinitely, manager Felipe Alou said. Players may spend up to seven days on bereavement leave, but the National League West-leading Giants won't rush Bonds back. **(AP)**

Today's TV Lineup

FOOTBALL (8 p.m. on ABC) The Indianapolis Colts visit the Denver Broncos, who now have Jake Plummer as their starting quarterback.

TENNIS (11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on USA) The first round of the U.S. Open begins, although Serena and Venus Williams are among the top players not playing in the major tournament.

BASEBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) The Baltimore Orioles try to spoil the New York Yankees' chances of winning the American League East when Damian Moss faces Andy Pettitte.

BASEBALL (9:05 p.m. on ESPN) Randy Johnson takes the mound for the Arizona Diamondbacks, who host the San Diego Padres.

? | SINCE YOU ASKED

Q While I was refinancing my mortgage recently, my bank pulled credit scores from three sources. My "Fair Isaac" was 775 while my "Empirica" was 776. However, my "Beacon" was 608. Fortunately, this did not affect the rate I'm receiving, but I was surprised that there was such a discrepancy between Beacon and the other two. Do they each have their own formula for determining your score?

A All three credit bureaus use the FICO credit scoring formula created by Fair Isaac Corp. They just call it different things. At Equifax, it's the Beacon. At TransUnion, it's the Empirica. At Experian, it's called the "Experian/Fair, Isaac Risk Model."

The scores are based on your credit reports at each of the three bureaus. Because the bureaus are private companies that don't typically share data, your reports can be different at all three. Equifax probably has some negative information about you, such as late payments or a collection action, that the other two don't.

As you discovered, the effect of negative marks at just one bureau is minimal when getting a mortgage. That's because most home lenders focus on the middle of your three scores and disregard the other two. (If you're applying for a mortgage with another person, such as a spouse, they usually use the lower of the two middle scores.)

Where this negative information can hurt you is when you apply for credit from a lender that consults only one bureau — and it happens to be the bureau that has the bad marks.

Order your Equifax credit report at www.equifax.com and see exactly what the trouble is. If the report contains errors or entries that don't belong to you, ask Equifax to investigate and eliminate them. Once you've done that, check out your other two reports as well, just to make sure they're accurate. As a general rule, you should pull your reports at all three bureaus at least once a year, and again a few months before you apply for any major credit, such as a car loan or mortgage. LIZ PULLIAM WESTON (L.A.TIMES)

At Any Rate

As interest rates rise, adjustable-rate loans may be better deals

MORTGAGES | With interest rates rising, many people think it's too late to get a good deal on a mortgage to buy new homes or refinance their current homes. But there are many alternatives in the market to the traditional fixed-rate, 30-year mortgage that are offered at manageable rates, including adjustable-rate mortgages.

After hitting a record low of 5.21 percent in mid-June, the average rate on 30-year mortgages has risen steadily to about 6.25 percent, according to the Freddie Mac mortgage company. That's not a bad rate by historical standards and well below the average 8 percent of just three years ago. But it's risen enough to scare many people away. The Mortgage Bankers Association of America said last week that mortgage applications declined for a sec-



A LOAN TOGETHER: Ryan and Leslie Sysko recently refinanced their home.

ond consecutive week to the lowest level in more than a year.

"What is going on now is 'sticker shock,' and that will continue for a couple of months," said A.W. Pickel of Lenexa, Kan., president of the

National Association of Mortgage Brokers. "Then, I think, people will figure out that 6.25 percent is a pretty good interest rate — and that they have alternatives."

Bob Walters, chief economist at Quicken Loans in Livonia, Mich., said that as rates have risen, more customers are considering mortgages that have fixed rates for three, five or seven years and then are adjustable.

He said a couple taking a hybrid 5-1 mortgage of \$200,000 at 5.25 percent instead of a fixed-rate, 30-year mortgage at 6.75 percent would save about \$15,000 in the first five years. After that, the rate can be adjusted annually, but the increase is capped at a maximum of 2 percentage points a year and no more than 5 percentage points over the life of the loan.

David Lewis, executive vice president of the online bank ING Direct in Wilmington, Del., said people should consider matching the terms on their mortgages

to the time they expect to stay in their houses. "The average these days is seven years, and for many it's less than that."

Ryan Sysko, 29, refinanced his home in Wilmington seven months ago, changing from a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage at about 8 percent to a 5-1 adjustable-rate mortgage from ING Direct with a starting rate of 4.875 percent.

Sysko, who works for an insurance marketing agency, said the adjustable-rate mortgage made sense for him and his wife, Leslie, because they don't plan to stay in their town home for longer than five years. "No one stays in the same home for 30 years," Sysko said. "Knowing that this wasn't going to be the house we stayed in forever, a long-term mortgage didn't make sense." EILEEN ALT POWELL (AP)

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Premium Mend

INSURANCE | With the cost of auto and homeowners insurance rising rapidly, it's a good idea to review policies to see if there are ways to reduce premiums.

The average consumer will spend \$855 on auto insurance this year, up about 18 percent since 2001, according to the Insurance Information Institute in New York. And consumers are expected to spend about \$603 for homeowners insurance, up more than 17 percent in the past two years, the institute estimates.

The reasons for the premium increases range from higher medical costs for accident victims and more-costly car repairs on the auto side to an unusually high number of storms and the emergence of expensive mold claims on the homeowner's side.

Those facing increases in their premiums can take some steps to try to lower their costs, experts say.



Comparison shop. Premiums vary widely from company to company. One place to begin looking for companies and agents is www.naic.org.

Raise your deductible. When it comes to auto insurance, "you get the biggest bang from raising your deductible," said Carolyn Gorman of the Insurance Information Institute (www.insurance.info). Gorman said

increasing the deductible to \$500 from \$200 on an auto policy will reduce the cost of collision and comprehensive coverage by 15 percent to 30 percent.

Don't be petty. Higher deductibles work for homeowners insurance, too, said Alan Snyder, chief executive of Answer Financial Inc. in Los Angeles. "Most people, if they have a small claim, don't file it," he said. "They're right. It will make the premium go up." The company's Web site at www.answerfinancial.com has calculators that let insurance shoppers plug in different deductibles to see the impact on premiums.

Look for discounts. Some auto insurance companies also give discounts, which can lower costs even more. Many companies will give consumers a discount if they buy

both auto and homeowners coverage from the same company. Ask about possible discounts if you haven't had an accident or moving violation in the past three years, if you have taken a defensive driving course, or if you've installed anti-theft devices in your car. Look for discounts for homeowners insurance as well. Home security systems often earn price breaks, for example.

Know they're watching. Home buyers should be aware that insurance companies are keeping a closer watch on the number of claims filed on a particular property — and raising premiums accordingly. Consumers can check the so-called CLUE score, or Comprehensive Loss Underwriting Exchange score, for a primary residence for a fee of \$12.95 at www.choicetrust.com. EILEEN ALT POWELL (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS: Today, debit transactions make up 51 percent of Visa's total transactions and about 30 percent of the company's sales volume, according to Visa USA President and CEO Carl F. Pascarella. (AP)

Career

Your Boss's Bosses

Middle managers are reporting to multiple layers of supervisors

TREND | At a time when managers have to deal with a shortage of underlings, they also find themselves taking orders from a plethora of bosses.

Financial managers who used to report only to the heads of their business units now have to include chief financial officers who want to closely monitor accounting practices. Many product-development, marketing and sales managers must answer to the executive in charge of their particular business plus the heads of several geographic regions. And technology managers must satisfy the demands of multiple executives, plus their companies' chief technology officers.

This so-called matrix organization was designed to help avoid various corporate problems by increasing oversight, to foster teamwork among employees of different specialties and to create more-innovative products and services by widening the field of input.

It has become prevalent especially at companies where slow growth over the past two years has meant



THEY LIKE TO WATCH: Too many bosses are slowing down underlings.

senior executives aren't getting promotions to new posts. Instead, the top talent gets extra duties to stay challenged.

But too many bosses can slow decision-making and deprive underlings of a sense of ownership of their work. And if bosses dislike each other, subordinates end up pulled in two directions. Even when bosses get along, maneuvering in a matrix

organization requires considerable management savvy and communication skill.

Shrinking staffs only compound the difficulties of a multiplication of bosses. "Most companies no longer have assistants or other liaisons who used to smooth things out and make sure everyone could meet on a certain day," says Dee Soder, head of the CEO Perspective Group, a New York consulting firm.

As a result, some managers who report to more than one boss are saddled with more work coordinating meetings and assignments, which increases their already heavy workloads.

Even managers who report to just one boss find themselves being instructed or second-guessed by other top executives who have been told to exert their influence through the ranks.

At one communications company, a middle manager says he now entertains suggestions about his work from three executives in addition to his immediate boss, even though two of his eight staffers have been laid off. CAROL HYMOWITZ (WSJ)



BY THE NUMBERS: In a poll by market research firm InsightExpress, more than 60 percent of those surveyed said the federal Do Not Call list ought to be expanded to encompass religious and political organizations.

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LIFE AT WORK

Live Online

AMY JOYCE's column appears Sundays in The Washington Post. She chats every Tuesday at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

I have a manager who's difficult in many ways, but one of the worst is that she's really moody. Is there a way I can say, "Snap out of it" without sounding like a smart aleck?

I don't know that there is an appropriate way to tell a boss (or any co-worker) to snap out of it. You can ask her if there's anything wrong, and note that she seems down lately. That may clue her in that her moods are affecting others.



ALEX WONG/AF/GETTY
Oh, where have all the bosses gone?

Is there any way to report rampant absenteeism of senior staff members? I have e-mails that prove they work less than 20-hour weeks while the rest of us peons work 40-plus. I find this unfair since they

earn up to three times my salary.

Is it affecting your work directly? If not, why do you care, really? You don't know what they are doing in the time you don't see them. And I am sure people are aware of their work habits. You complain, you look like a complainer who wastes work time on documenting what other people do. Blech.

Is there any good way to tell your bosses that they have been hiring some real losers and it is bringing everyone down?

Short answer: no. Your boss hires people for a reason, and you have no control over that. What you do have control over is helping to nudge them in the right direction when they get there.

I'm a new hire at a great company. Everyone here has been very nice and welcoming. Except for the guy who fixes our computers. He is extremely nice and friendly to everyone else here. He's not outright rude to me, but I can sense hostility. He's constantly talking on his cell phone about things that have nothing to do with his job — and he does it in my cube! I want to scream. Am I overreacting?

How about you ask him not to talk on his cell in your cube. You're trying to do work here. If he fixes your computer when you ask, be happy. You don't have to be best buds.

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Chuck Amok

'Fight Club' author spills Portland's eccentric secrets

BOOKS | The guy wandering around outside the tiki bar can't even pay for a clue, he's so lost.

"Does anybody know the area?" he asks.

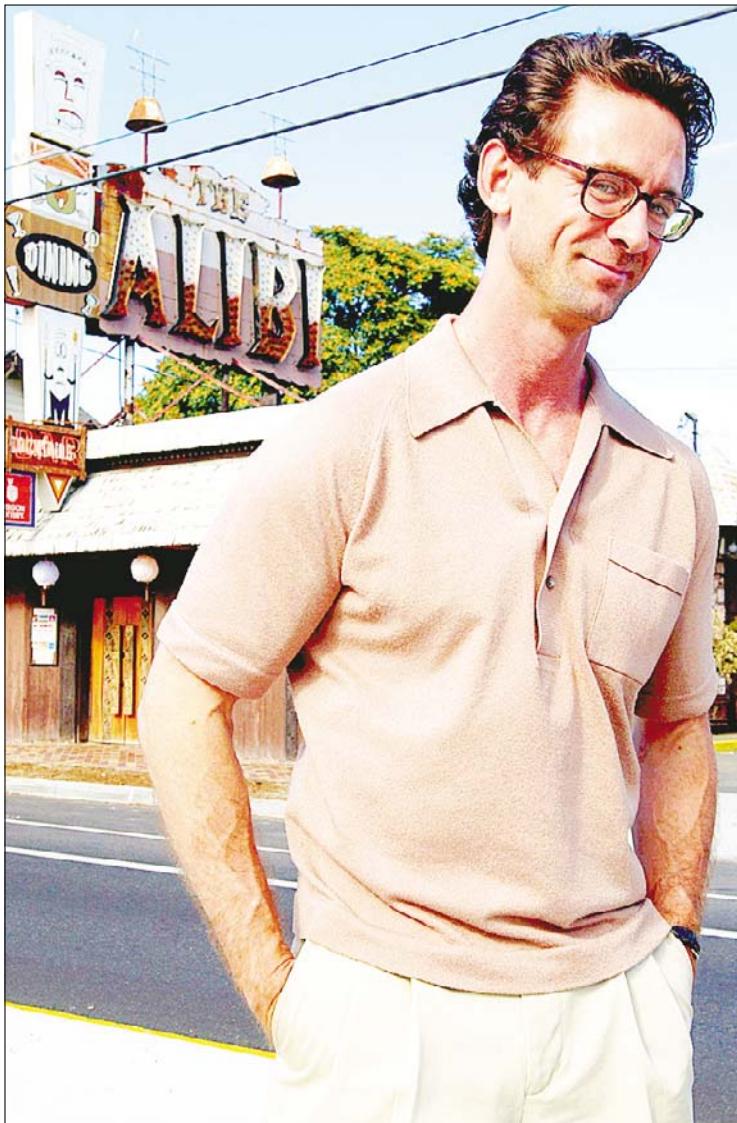
Nobody knows the area better than Chuck Palahniuk, author of the cult classic "Fight Club." And Palahniuk has written a book to prove it.

"Fugitives and Refugees: A Walk in Portland, Oregon" is stuffed with juxtapositions and secrets, from Chamber of Commerce sound bites to Portland's wildly kinky underground sex industry.

"The idea was to present the banal next to the spectacular," Palahniuk says over coffee at the Alibi, the Polynesian paradise that leads off the book's list of recommended eateries in town.

The stars of the book are the fugitives and refugees who have flocked to one of the West Coast's loosest cities over the years, eccentrics all. So we meet Francis Gabe, an 87-year-old who lives alone in the "world-famous Self-Cleaning House," in a Portland suburb.

Then there's the couple who founded the local ghost-hunters group, who say Portland is especially receptive to ghosts.



Palahniuk poses before one of the weird delights of his adopted city, the Alibi.

Palahniuk says he knows that telling Portland's secrets to anyone with \$16 does dilute the myth. "That is always the tragedy," he said. "But the alternative is not to acknowledge these fantastic things."

And there are some quintessentially Portland people and places in the book, like the woman who will teach your dog to dance to the strains of "I Fought the Law."

In the end, the book is a twisted Valentine to Portland, a celebration of a slacker culture in which, Palahniuk said, "It's OK to work a cruddy job as long as you maintain the world's largest collage of Elvis pictures.

"Or something like that."

JULIA SILVERMAN (AP)

OBSCURE SUMMER READING

Chuck Palahniuk is as famous as a cult figure gets, but what are his dark, bizarre books about?

- "Fight Club": An underworld of male aggression.
- "Survivor": A "death cult" member on a doomed plane.
- "Choke": A sex addict mimics choking in restaurants to get out of paying his tab.
- "Lullaby": A reporter is pitted against a deadly African chant.
- "Diary": Due Aug. 26. An art student and her comatose husband live on a sinister island.

Top Stops

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Double Vision: Through the Looking Glass

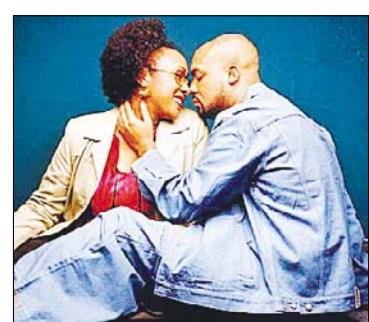
1 The latest work of skewed insight from Pulitzer Prize-winner Paula Vogel, "The Mineola Twins" opens today. Her political comedy looks at life under the Eisenhower, Nixon and Reagan/Bush administrations through the eyes of twins Myrna and Myra. Is the actress in the double role schizophrenic, or is America?

D.C. Jewish Community Center; 1529 16th St. NW; 202-393-3939. (Dupont Circle)

Kindred Spirits: Family Soul at 9:30

2 R&B meets jazz improv by way of gospel, hip-hop and, most of all, soul when Fatin Dantzler and D.C. native Aja Graydon get their groove on. Onstage the couple are known as Kindred the Family Soul, singers looking for spiritual enlightenment and finding gritty urban realism.

9:30 Club; 815 V St. NW; 7:30 p.m., \$15; 202-265-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)



Fatin and Aja of Kindred the Family Soul in marital and musical harmony.

Aloha Skidoo: Moonlighters' Hula Jazz

3 It's a good thing the quartet that became The Moonlighters found each other; after all, if you're interested in bringing together Hawaiian steel guitar and '20s pop and jazz, life can look pretty lonely. But they did meet; hear their strangely modern sonic love child tonight.

Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage; 2700 F St. NW; 6 p.m., free; 202-467-Continued on page 12

Man Machines

The godfathers of electronica come blip-bleeping back

MUSIC | In the 17 years since Kraftwerk's last album, an explosion of new figures has entered the electronic dance music race, equipped with increasingly sophisticated gear and split into many subgenres.

But the German team, which more or less invented the form, cruises back into the lead position like Lance Armstrong.

Transportation, the world of motion and the interaction of human and machine have long been the group's foremost themes. Those themes arise again, or anew, on "Tour de France Soundtracks," for which the 100th running of the



They are the robots: Half of Kraftwerk getting as funky as they ever get.

Tour de France provides the perfect inspiration.

The album is an update and expansion of Kraftwerk's 1983

single honoring the bicycle race, but even the five reworkings of that original sound fresh — the rhythms of breath, heartbeat and muscle action flowing through pedals, gears and wheels turned into music on machines played with a very human touch.

The rest of the tracks take on other aspects of the human-technology interface. It's all done with a colorful array of distinctly Kraftwerkian computer beats, blips and altered voices, and with inimitable restraint. STEVE HOCHMAN

(LOS ANGELES TIMES)



Entertainment

TopStops

Continued from page 11

Le Voyage:

Jean-Luc Ponty

4 Jazz electric-violinist Jean-Luc Ponty has opened up the worlds of both jazz and catgut-sawing with his versatile playing and insatiable interest in music of all genres and cultures. He's just returned from a tour of India, where he was one of the stars of the Global Music Festival. There, Ponty widened his already impressive range to include difficult, detailed Indian classical music by playing with some of the best musicians in the country. He also received the Lakshminarayana International Award.

Birchmere; 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., \$25; 703-549-7500.



A WORLD OF DECENT DREAMS
VIETNAM IMAGES



Photographer Ellen Kaplowitz brings a "World of Dreams" alive in images.

Heaven and Earth: Vietnamese Photos

5 Over 10 years of visiting and photographing the customs and the people of Vietnam, Ellen Kaplowitz compiled "A World of Decent Dreams: Vietnam Images." Her sensitive and evocative pictures — of fishermen casting their nets, a traditional wedding, a couple posing for a formal portrait, a rush-hour of cyclists — display the texture of everyday life and the inexorable pull of history in a country that holds a shadowy but persistent presence in the American mind.

Politics & Prose; 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919. (Van Ness-UDC)

Bluegrass Grows Wild

Del McCoury's the hippest grandpa on the jam-band circuit

MUSIC | He's a 64-year-old grandfather with a green Cadillac in the drive and a weedy flower bed in the yard.

Yet to legions of young tie-died "Del Heads," Del McCoury and his band are the coolest bluegrass pickers around.

McCoury is patriarch of the Del McCoury Band, a five-piece group that performs old-time bluegrass in suits and ties, much as McCoury did 40 years ago with Bill Monroe's Blue Grass Boys.

The difference today is the audience. McCoury has been embraced by Grateful Dead-inspired jam bands that are drawn to blue-



GOOD, OLD BOYS: Del (center) and his band make unlikely trance-rockers.

played things I never thought we'd play as a bluegrass band," said McCoury.

The band continues to record — "It's Just the Night" was released on Aug. 12 — and play traditional bluegrass festivals. Last year, it was part of the successful Down From the Mountain tour, a celebration of old-style acoustic music with artists such as Ralph Stanley, Emmylou Harris and Alison Krauss.

On stage, McCoury has a quirky presence, grinning and twitching his bushy gray eyebrows as he sings in his high lonesome tenor. The band doesn't use a playlist, so every show is different.

"We just get up there and pick and, you know, kind of feel the audience out," McCoury said. "We just do what they tell us to do."

JOHN GEROME (AP)

grass's intricacy and improvisation. Leftover Salmon, String Cheese Incident and Phish are among the groups that have per-

formed or recorded with McCoury, giving him broader exposure than most bluegrass outfits.

"Over the last five years we've

ON TV TONIGHT

HOW MANY LICKS DOES IT TAKE?

TRIVIA UNWRAPPED (10 p.m., Food Network) A lot of shows have been compared to junk food, but the makers of the new game show "Trivia Unwrapped" don't mind that reputation. Marc Summers hosts this quiz-show confection, dedicated to empty-calorie facts about snacks, candy and other nutrition-free delights. This version of "Jeopardy" Lite won't help you get into a major university, but it could get you into the Carvel College of Ice Cream Knowledge.

CSI: O.K. CORRAL

WILD WEST TECH (9 p.m., History) Keith Carradine narrates this glance at the inventions, weapons and scientific breakthroughs that made the settlement of the Wild West possible.

Tonight's segment, "Outlaw Tech," examines how both lawmen and desperadoes tapped into cutting-edge 19th-century know-how like photography, dynamite, the telegraph and the transcontinental railroad. The invention of the photograph turned criminals like Butch Cassidy into regional celebrities. But it also made it impossible for them to remain anonymous.

A DUMMY FINDS ITS VOICE

HISTORY DETECTIVES (8 p.m., PBS) The show's team of archivists and researchers examines a ventriloquist dummy that belongs to a Brooklyn woman whose father was a famous African-American performer. The "detectives" evaluate the theory that he was meant as a protest against minstrel show-era racial prejudice. The team also visits a Greenwich Village home that may have been the spot where actor John Wilkes Booth hatched his plot to assassinate President Abraham Lincoln.

CULT CHOICE

VALLEY OF THE DOLLS (1:55 a.m. Tue., Aug. 26, AMC) An innocent (Barbara Parkins), a talented firecracker (Patty Duke) and an exploited beauty (Sharon Tate) career through a showbiz jungle in the over-the-top 1967 adaptation of Jacqueline Susann's novel. Susan Hayward's hammy performance ("Broadway doesn't go for booze and dope!") dominates this irresistibly trashy movie. **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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Aerosmith Is Playing The Blues

MUSIC | The summer has seen some erratic box-office numbers for rock tours. But the home-run ball has been the Aerosmith/Kiss bill, which has been packing them in.

"It's been great," said Steven Tyler of Aerosmith. "The worst we did was 3,000 short of a sellout one night."

Aerosmith and Kiss also once toured together in the '70s.

Aerosmith is headlining the tour, and one demand that Tyler made was to have a ramp built into the audience. "So if you have [lousy] seats in the 100th row, I'm still in your face."

The band has been recording a blues album tentatively titled "Honkin' on Bobo" that will come out early next year.

"We do a couple of songs by Sonny Boy Williamson, and Dylan's 'Broke Down Engine,'" Tyler said of the blues set.

The National Football League recruited Aerosmith for a perfor-



MARK MAINZ/GETTY IMAGES
Okay, but at least Aerosmith's Steve Tyler looks better than Keith Richards.

mance at the Mall Sept. 4 to celebrate the start of the football season. Sharing the bill are Aretha Franklin, Britney Spears and Mary J. Blige.

And in case you didn't know, Tyler is a doctor these days, having received an honorary doctorate from the Berklee College of Music this spring. An ensemble played a bunch of Aerosmith songs in his honor. "I'd even release it as a CD," said Tyler. "The Berklee kids really did the music well."

STEVE MORSE (BOSTON GLOBE)

Shears and A Friendly Set of Ears

OUTREACH | Bruised and fearful women sit in the chairs of hair salons and, in the time it takes for a shampoo, cut and perm, spill the whole story: Their men beat them, but they'd fear for their lives if they tried to leave.

"They just want to talk," said Linda Franklin, co-owner of Bee Jay's Merle Norman Hair Salon in Tappahannock, Va.

"And it ranges from teenagers on up," added her business partner and fellow coiffeuse, Janet Sanders.

Briefly away from their tormentors and in the company of women they trust, some battered women regard hairdressers' shops as one of the few refuges where they can speak freely of the savagery they endure at home.

Virginia Attorney General Jerry W. Kilgore walked into Bee Jay's recently and sold Franklin, Sanders and fellow stylist Dena Hudson on a new state initiative to teach beauticians how to respond when they suspect a client suffers from domestic violence.

Kilgore, a Republican, is traveling Virginia in the ebbing days of summer to discuss his new program, "Cut Out Domestic Violence."

Regional training sessions begin in October for hairdressers, hair colorists, cosmetologists, manicurists, tanning bed operators and others who might spot domestic abuse.

At the First Impressions Hair and Tanning Salon in Warsaw, the owner and lone stylist, Tracy Smith, told Kilgore that she hears chilling stories about the beatings some of her clients suffer.

"You're taken off-guard when someone reveals something that personal to you," Smith said.

At Bee Jay's, Dena Hudson put it this way: "I think they're looking for validation, just somebody to say you don't deserve to be treated that way."

Every now and then, the stylists see some women break away from men who beat them. Others remain with their abusers.

And still others, they said, just drop out of sight. **BOB LEWIS (AP)**



Elijah Muldrow flies toward the basket in his attempt to win last week's slam-dunk competition at Rucker Park in Harlem, New York, a mecca for streetball stars.

Superior Courts

In Harlem's Rucker Park, crowds roar and hoop dreams soar as street stars square off

SPORTS | It was the type of play that makes jaws drop.

As the point guard brought the ball up the court, he did a mean crossover, then whipped it behind his back to the small forward out on the flat, who gunned it to the off guard on the edge of the key, who touch-passed it to a wide-open power forward under the basket.

The finale: an earth-rattling two-handed dunk.

This isn't the NBA or even the NCAA. It's Harlem's Rucker Park, legendary home to New York's great streetball tournament.

"When you get off that A train at Rucker Park, you better bring your A game," game announcer EJ the Mayor said during a break in play last week.

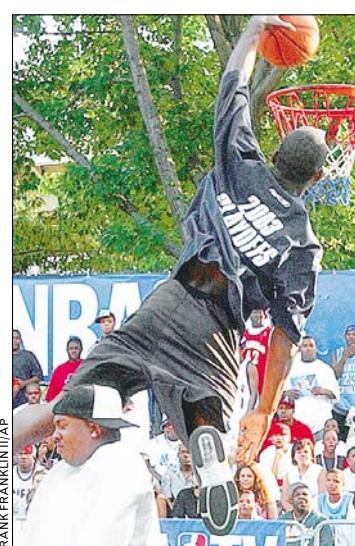
Street basketball players have traditionally been the stuff of urban legend — amazing small crowds at asphalt courts in cities

across the country, but unseen and unknown by most. That's changing now, as the exploits of these raw talents catch the attention of TV and music executives, writers and entrepreneurs.

The summer league at Rucker — started in 1956 by Parks Department worker Holcombe Rucker — is the center of it all.

After almost dying away in the early 1980s, the Rucker league has experienced a resurgence, drawing the interest of rappers like Jay-Z and Fat Joe, who sponsor teams, as well as the National Basketball Association, which broadcasts games on its cable channel.

The annual tournament, now called the Entertainer's Basketball Classic, is the subject of an MTV reality show called "Harlem Hoops." Its history is detailed in the new book, "Asphalt Gods: An Oral History of the Rucker Tournament,"



Ryan "Special Effects" Williams nails his contest-winning slam-dunk.

by Vincent Mallozzi, a New York Times sports editor.

Residents say summer doesn't truly start at the park — in the middle of the Polo Grounds Housing Project and across the Harlem River from Yankee Stadium — without

the ping of a bouncing ball and the squeak of sneakers.

With such talent, the quality of the game is top-notch. That cuts down on some of the truly outrageous schoolyard tricks one might see at other streetball exhibitions.

But Pee Wee Kirkland, one of the greats from the league's heyday in the early 1970s, says the game has suffered because of the premium put on embarrassing your opponent with high-wire acrobatics.

"Young players today are very much out of focus," Kirkland said. "It's all about the trick, and not the win. When we played ... we knew our fundamentals."

The new players say fundamentals are important — but so is fun. Point guard Sebastian "Too Fast, Too Furious" Telfair, 17, said he looked at the league as a place to be a little more free.

"It's supposed to be a little more fun here," he said. "But when you put me on a court I want to win, first and foremost." **LUKAS I. ALPERT (AP)**

Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

I WAS APPALLED to read your article about Hamas leader Ismail Abu Shanab in Friday's paper. According to the article, "While he backed the Hamas position that there is no place for a Jewish state in the Middle East and that Israel must be destroyed, he was one of the group's more sober minds."

According to his ideology, Israel doesn't have a right to exist, and yet you portray him as a moderate political leader. The blood of 20 innocent Israelis from his latest massacre isn't dry yet, but reading about him, I could almost see a halo grow around his head.

There is no such thing as a political leader of a terrorist group. A terrorist group, by definition, commits terror act for which all members are responsible — especially those who masterminded them.

—SHAI STEINBERG
Arlington, Va.

I COULDN'T BELIEVE how many people wrote about wearing flip-flops on the Metro. What bothers me are the people who paint their nails, apply foundation, clip their nails (and allow them to fly all over the place) and eat, when you know the sign says eating isn't allowed.

—TOYSHIKA EPPS
Silver Spring, Md.

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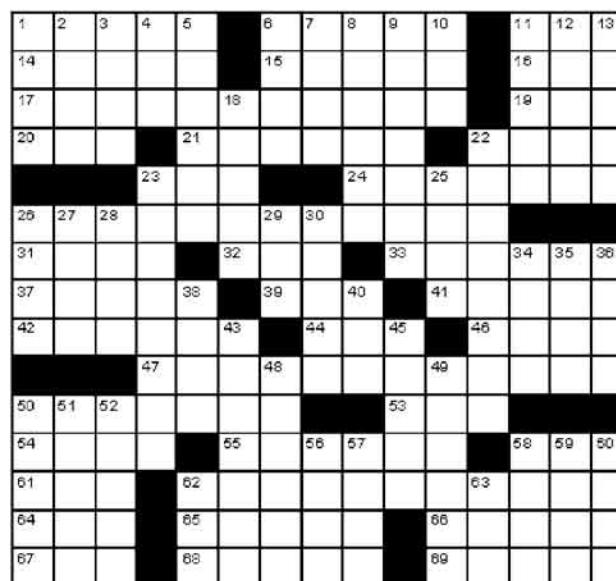
Yesterday's Solutions



Crossword Puzzle | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

1 Amuse-ments
6 Beetles-to-be
11 Weird
14 Flooded
15 Talkative pet
16 Contend
17 Catches the worm
19 Source of PIN money
20 Company come-ons
21 Made into leather
22 Type of sax
23 Face on a
wanted poster
24 "Sunset Boulevard"
star
26 Houdini, notably
31 Blessing
32 Encouraging word
33 Goad
37 Leakey finds
39 Just fine
41 Vocally
42 Lifts
44 Multiplication
symbol
46 Present opener?
47 Criticize
50 Torment
53 Williams wallop
54 WWII General
Bradley
55 Crusty meal
58 Night stalker



61 Misbehave (with "up")
62 Desire greatly
64 "Now do you believe
me?"
65 On guard
66 Dictionary matter
67 TV's Koppel
68 Origins
69 Mounds

DOWN

1 Enamored
2 Knocked for a loop
3 Wrestling gear
4 Slow start?
5 Keep quiet!
6 FBI guys
7 Pitcher of seven
no-hitters

8 Disquiet
9 "Go Tell It on the
Mountain" novelist
10 Deficient
11 Cartouches
12 "Same here"
13 Infernal tormentor
18 Cell phone
alternative

POST-WAR IRAQ

Live Online

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Author and former CIA agent **ROBERT BAER** was online Friday to discuss parallels between recent attacks in Baghdad and the 1983 attack on a U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut.

I am not a foreign affairs expert, but even I could foretell the problems of sabotage and guerrilla attacks in "post-war" Iraq that our soldiers are currently experiencing. Why then is our leadership acting surprised at these developments?

Yes, it was a mistake not to prepare for a Beirut-like situation. One thing I am certain of is that our military should not be policing Iraq or fighting a terrorist war there. No matter how many troops we send to Iraq, we'll never be able to do it. What we need to do is identify legitimate Iraqi leaders and turn security over to them — and back out of the country.

I don't mean this question to be disrespectful, but ... aren't the developments in Iraq in the last three months, from the failure to find weapons (the entire underpinning of the war) to the hapless condition we find ourselves in, evidence of gross malfeasance by this administration? And, if so, why do polls still suggest such (pretty) strong support of the president? Isn't this a failure of historic proportions?

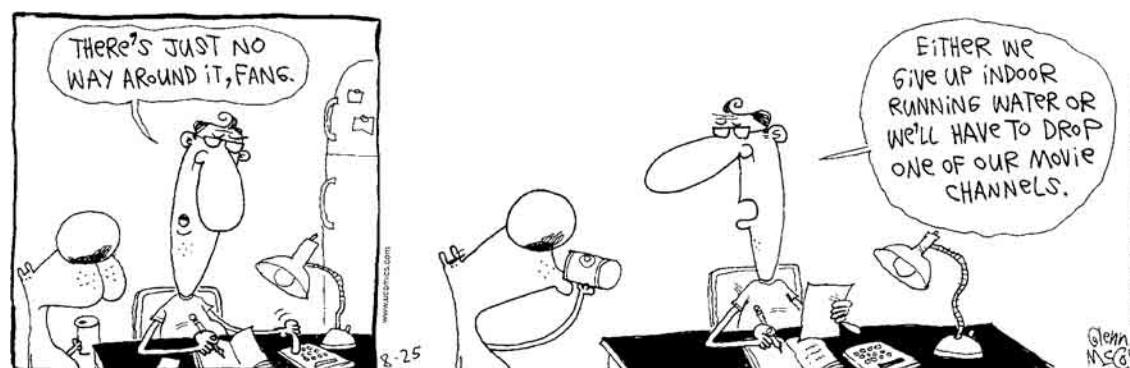
I agree completely. (By the way, my sense always was that we should have found an Iraqi general to do the job — anything to keep our troops out of the Middle East.) The problem was that this war was concocted in Washington think tanks by people who haven't spent time in the Middle East. As for the average American, as much as I can tell, he or she was shocked by 9/11. And in times of crisis, people tend to defer to the White House, in spite of the evidence. If Iraq spins out of control, I think we'll see the polls change.

Today on Live Online

11 A.M. Lauren Kessler discusses her book, "Clever Girl: Elizabeth Bentley and the Dawn of the McCarthy Era."

12:30 P.M. Post film critic Desson Howe talks about the latest Hollywood and indie movies on "Behind the Screen."

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You're likely to be recognized for an important contribution. Don't become cocky or overzealous as a result.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — It may be difficult for you to make heads or tails of an unexpected development. Trust the input of friends and loved ones.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Openness and freedom are what it's all about. You mustn't do anything that may cramp someone else's style.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You have more on your mind than business affairs. Now is the time to focus more intently on pressing personal issues.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You may be more difficult to figure out than ever before, partly because you're following your instincts more faithfully.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You are on a short fuse, so do what you can to avoid anyone who is out to ruffle your feathers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You mustn't make excuses for unacceptable behavior — nor should you accept them from others. Don't close your eyes to dangerous patterns.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You're wheels may not be turning as freely as usual. Concentrate on your internal mechanisms — and be sure you're not running

low on fuel.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — A conflict of interest will arise between yourself and an Aries who thinks you're far off course.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It's a good time to change your ways at home and begin to take better care of yourself — outside and in. Mind and body go hand in hand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Don't over-expect yourself. Focus on what is attainable, and don't let greed get the better of you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You're going to have to concentrate on a single objective if success is to be yours. Don't allow yourself to be side-tracked.

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Country icon Willie Nelson speaks at a Dennis Kucinich rally Saturday in Iowa.

POLITICS

Willie Shows on Hold

The Labor Day fundraising concerts **WILLIE NELSON** had planned in support of Democratic presidential candidate Dennis Kucinich have been postponed. The events will be rescheduled sometime in the fall, "closer to the start of the primaries," according to a statement. (BILLBOARD.COM)



WHO KNEW? Rap superstar Eminem starred alongside Vanilla Ice, Ja Rule and Pras in "Da Hip Hop Witch" in 2000 — a poorly received spoof of "Blair Witch Project." (WENN)

TELEVISION

Cash's Comeback

Thursday's MTV Video Music Awards, celebrating a medium that usually oozes youth and invincibility, would seem like the last place to celebrate a somber video with a frail, 71-year-old **JOHNNY CASH**. Yet the extraordinary clip for "Hurt" is up for six awards, making Cash third only to Missy Elliott and Justin Timberlake in nominations. The music legend is working with doctors in hopes of attending the show. (AP)



ACTIVISM

Angelina Calls for Help To Aid Stranded Refugees

ANGELINA JOLIE concluded her visit Sunday to the war-torn border areas of Russia and Chechnya. Jolie, in Russia as a goodwill ambassador for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, said that she was concerned about the fate of the

Chechen refugees currently living in the giant Bella tent camp in Ingushetia. Chechnya's prime minister said last week the camps will be closed by Oct. 1. Many people, including Jolie, fear refugees are being forced to return against their will. (AP)



CELEBRITY

Stupid Human Tricks

For his latest trick, magician **DAVID BLAINE** will try to live without food in a plastic box suspended high over London. Starting Sept. 5, Blaine will live in a plastic box for 44 days without food or human contact; he'll have only a tube for water and a tube for urine. (AP)

MUSIC

Floetry, Missy Elliott Top Soul Train Awards

Neo-soul duo **FLOETRY**, rapper Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott and R&B newcomer Heather Headley took home the most awards at the 2003 Soul Train Lady of Soul Awards. Floetry was honored for best single by a group, "Say Yes," and best album by a group for "Floetic," as well as best new group. Elliott won twice, in best song of the year and best music video for the raunchy "Work It." Headley's "He Is" won her honors as best new solo artist, and her album "This is Who I Am" was named the best solo effort of the year. (AP)



The ladies of Floetry accept one of three Soul Train awards they won.



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